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Public Utility Commission Names New Legal Division Director

Robles' second decade of public service in Texas continues

Austin, TX – The Public Utility Commission of Texas today announced that Rachelle Robles has been promoted to lead the agency's legal division as Director. The agency's attorneys serve Texans by representing commission staff in litigation concerning electric, water and telecommunications issues.

"Rachelle embodies the agency's core commitment to fairness, ethics and integrity," said PUC Executive Director, John Paul Urban, III. "Since day one, she has had the respect of her coworkers for her enthusiasm, work ethic and legal skills. We are fortunate to have her on our team."

Robles first joined the Public Utility Commission in 2017 as an attorney then was promoted to managing attorney less than two years later. Her success as a litigator echoes her performance at past stops including the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Texas Workforce Commission and the Texas Department of Insurance. Robles earned a BA in Psychology from the University of California at Berkeley before earning her Juris Doctor of Law at the University of California's Hastings College of the Law. Rachelle and her husband, Ray Buchanan, a professor at the University of Texas at Austin, live in Austin, where she devotes her volunteer hours to the humane treatment of animals.

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About the Public Utility Commission of Texas

Our mission is to serve Texans by regulating the state's electric, telecommunication, and water and sewer utilities, implementing respective legislation, and offering customer assistance in resolving consumer complaints. Since its founding in 1975, the Commission has a long and proud history of service to Texas, protecting customers, fostering competition, and promoting high quality infrastructure. To learn more, please visit http://www.puc.texas.gov.